

Before the Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**In the Matter of Notice for Proposed Rule Making, WT Docket 05-235, Restructuring of the Amateur Radio Service.**

Comments of Clay Redden, KC4YAU, Prattville, Alabama

Members of the Commission:

Thank you for the opportunity to address you regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM), WT Docket 05-235, Restructuring of the Amateur Radio Service, a proposal that I support.

I was licensed as a Technician Class amateur radio operator, commonly referred to as a No-Code Technician, with the call sign of KC4YAU on March 26, 1991. My license was renewed on March 27, 2001. It is set to expire March 27, 2011.

I also was issued a Federal Communications Commission Radio Telephone Third Class Operator Permit with Broadcast Endorsement (Number P3-6-52947) on June 21, 1976.

In the past, I have conveyed my feelings in writing to the Commission regarding various petitions to restructure the Amateur Radio Service, specifically those related to eliminating the Morse code requirement. I will not reiterate my comments in support of eliminating the code requirement.

Overall, I believe the Commission's proposal is fair

While most other countries that have decided to eliminate Morse code requirements have automatically given amateur radio operators access to the high frequency bands, the Commission has decided not to follow that trend.

Initially, I was concerned about that, but I've since changed my opinion.

I don't want anyone to say that I was given something for nothing. I've earned every FCC license I've possessed, both amateur and professional, and I have no problem continuing to earn my privileges by taking a written test to upgrade.

I appreciate the Commission's efforts in restructuring the Amateur Radio Service and wish to thank the members of the Commission for the opportunity to express my comments on the proposal.

Sincerely

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